

North-Central Regional Time Sensitive Emergency (TSE) Committee Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2015

Present: Shari Kuther, Kelly McGrath, Josh Kimbrow, Eric Kopczynski, Bob Montgomery, Jason Steik, Arif Chowdhury, Angie Jackson, Dominic Pomponio, Gaylon Waits, Matthew Dudley, Bill Spencer, Dave Reynolds

Next meeting: Dave will look into a location and date in Moscow. Tuesday 4/28 at 2 pm, Gritman Conference Center

I. Welcome and Introductions

Jason Steik opened the meeting. All participants introduced themselves.

II. Finalize bylaws

III. Individual Hospital Reports

Jason asked for a report of who the point person is for each facility represented.

Clearwater Valley Hospital: Lenne Bonner (voting) Dr. McGrath to report

Dr. McGrath reported that CVH is proceeding with the trauma center designation. It is taking some time. They are hoping to resolve activation criteria in the next couple of weeks. He solicited criteria from St. Joe's, Kootenai, Sacred Heart, Providence and they are all quite different. It will be important to come to a regional concept on this so EMS agencies aren't having to different things depending on which facility they are transporting to. Dr. McGrath requested that we move forward with the quality improvement piece of this subcommittee so we have proven that we are actively participating in this, as it is one of the requirements.

Discussion ensued around developing a standard trauma activation and suggested using guidelines from CDC. It was also noted that there are approved protocols by the Idaho Physician Commission. They are available on the physician commission website.

Action: Everyone please look at different systems and different protocols. Bring back what you find to the next committee meeting and we will work on standardizing.

St. Mary's Hospital: Dr. Secrest
Similar progress as CVH

Syringa: Eric Kopczynski
Eric reported that they are actively looking at the steps toward designation.

Gritman:

St. Joseph: Jason Steik
Jason reported that St. Joe's is already designated in the state of Washington. They researched Washington and Idaho designation and they plan to be dually accredited with Idaho and Washington.

IV. QI Subcommittee Reports

The subcommittee met and went over selecting case review process. At this point it could be a self selection. If someone has a case to review, they would bring it forward. Discussion around what the case reviews would look like, as to who would be involved, what information is available, etc. The subcommittee will continue to identify the process and report back. It was suggested that each facility bring a case forward so all are involved. Matt will send out criteria selection form after revising it a bit more. A future meeting will be scheduled to go over first round of cases.

V. EMS Survey Report

Dominic Pomponio reported he has surveyed 4 agencies in person. It is taking some time by doing it in person but more valuable. He will have it finalized by the next meeting.

VI. Report on Grangeville simulation

Idaho Simulation came to Grangeville and they had a simulation of a 5 year old and mother in a motor vehicle. The mother had a stemi from a clot and the child had injuries so they had to deal with emergency and trauma cases at the same time.

VII. TSE Code Sheets/Protocol standardization

Would it be valuable to have a template code sheet that is systematic to help guide users? This will be part of the trauma activation criteria standardization.

VIII. State TSE Updates

They continue to work on stroke criteria.

IX. Three benchmarks to track

The State Council sent out a request to decide on three benchmarks we would like to track in regards to trauma.

1. Time on scene
2. Dwell time
3. Trauma team activation time to team assembled

X. Adjourn